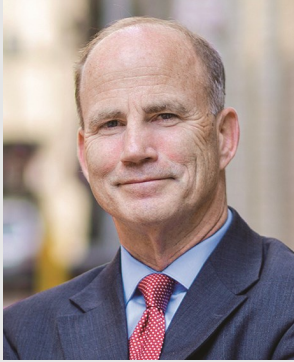


# Jeffrey F. Peck

Partner | Chair, Product Liability



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## Practices/Industries

- Product Liability
- Pharmaceutical, Medical Device & Mass Tort Litigation
- Complex Business Litigation

## Education

Miami University  
(B.A., 1979)

University of Cincinnati  
College of Law  
(J.D., 1982)  
Order of the Barristers

## Overview

Chair of Ulmer & Berne's Product Liability Group, Jeff has spent more than two decades defending pharmaceutical companies and other clients from product liability, toxic tort, occupational exposure, and other mass tort claims. An acclaimed litigator who is consistently lauded by his clients, Jeff has been named as a "State Litigation Star" by *Benchmark Litigation* every year since 2015, to the Ohio Super Lawyers list every year since 2006, and by *The Best Lawyers in America*® in the area of product liability every year since 2007.

Jeff also has significant experience in complex commercial litigation, particularly matters involving the construction industry, and has been named to *The Best Lawyers in America* in the area of commercial litigation every year since 2008. Additionally, the peer-review publication recognized him as the Mass Tort Litigation/Class Action-Defendants "Lawyer of the Year" in Cincinnati (2012; 2016; 2018).

Given his extensive experience on the topics, he is frequently called upon by the industry to write and present on federal preemption, and other bars to product liability actions against pharmaceutical companies.

In addition to his litigation experience, Jeff plays a leading role in Ulmer & Berne's innovative risk-management counseling service for participants in the biologics, pharmaceutical, medical device, and dietary supplement industries. Drawing on knowledge of the relevant product liability litigation environment, chemical compounds, and industry practices, Jeff assists clients in due diligence on contemplated acquisitions and in risk reduction and transfer strategies for their products, including procurement of appropriate insurance on favorable terms.

## Experience

- Extensive experience in general commercial litigation.
- Extensive experience in product liability litigation.
- Extensive experience counseling clients on risk management issues.

## Presentations

- "Winning Preemptive Measures and Product Liability Risk Mitigation," The Secrets of Winning (August 2014)
- "Innovator and Generic Drug Manufacturer Liability: The Changing Landscape in Pharmaceutical Product Liability Law and the *Conte v. Wyeth Decision*," ACI Webinar (April 2009)
- "Defending Liability Claims in Cases Involving Both Innovator and Generic Manufacturers," 13th Annual Drug and Medical Device Litigation conference (December 2008)
- "Winning Product Liability Cases," PriceWaterhouseCoopers General Counsel Forum (August 2008)

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## Presentations (Cont)

- “The Federal Preemption Argument – When is it Effective?,” Defense Strategies for Pharmaceutical and Medical Device Litigation Conference (February 2003)
- “Mold/Microbial Contaminants & Meaningful Remediation,” 11th Annual Business & Industry's Symposium on Environment, Health & Safety (March 2002)
- “Product Liability Considerations in Advertising,” National Spa and Pool Institute Annual Meeting
- “Risk Management for Homebuilders,” (May 1997, May 1998)
- “Risk Management for Business and Industry,” (December 1996)

## Involvement

### Professional Affiliations

- Ohio State Bar Association
- Kentucky Bar Association
- Cincinnati Bar Association
- Cincinnati Academy of Leadership for Lawyers

### Firm Involvement

- Product Liability, Chair

## Honors & Distinctions

- Recognized by *Best Lawyers* as the Mass Tort Litigation/Class Actions “Lawyer of the Year” in Cincinnati (2012; 2016; 2018)
- Named to *The Best Lawyers in America*, Product Liability Litigation – Defendants; Commercial Litigation; Litigation – Environmental; Litigation – Labor and Employment; Litigation – Real Estate; Litigation – Regulatory Enforcement (SEC, Telecom, Energy); Personal Injury Litigation – Defendants (2007-2020)
- Named a “State Litigation Star” in Ohio by *Benchmark Litigation* (2015-2020)
- Named to the Ohio Super Lawyers list (2006-2019)
- Ranked a Top 50 Cincinnati attorney in the Ohio Super Lawyers list (2019)
- AV Preeminent® Peer Review Rated – Martindale-Hubbell®

## Admissions

- State of Ohio
- Commonwealth of Kentucky
- U.S. Supreme Court
- U.S. Court of Appeals, First Circuit
- U.S. Court of Appeals, Third Circuit
- U.S. Court of Appeals, Fourth Circuit

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- U.S. Court of Appeals, Fifth Circuit
- U.S. Court of Appeals, Sixth Circuit
- U.S. Court of Appeals, Seventh Circuit
- U.S. Court of Appeals, Eighth Circuit
- U.S. Court of Appeals, Ninth Circuit
- U.S. Court of Appeals, Tenth Circuit
- U.S. Court of Appeals, Eleventh Circuit
- U.S. District Court, Northern District of Ohio
- U.S. District Court, Southern District of Ohio
- U.S. District Court, Eastern District of Kentucky
- U.S. District Court, Eastern District of Michigan
- U.S. District Court, Northern District of Florida
- U.S. District Court, Southern District of Texas
- U.S. District Court, Northern District of Illinois